



Metrology for Emerging Materials, Devices, and Structures: Graphene as an Example

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Outline

- **Characterization and Metrology**
- Physical Properties of Graphene
- Optical Microscopy
- LEEM
- LEED
- HR-TEM
- Electrical Characterization
- Overriding Themes



Characterization and Metrology: Themes

- Nano-Scale and Quantum Phenomena
- Familiar Methods show a “new light”
- New Methods always help
- Advancements still Required

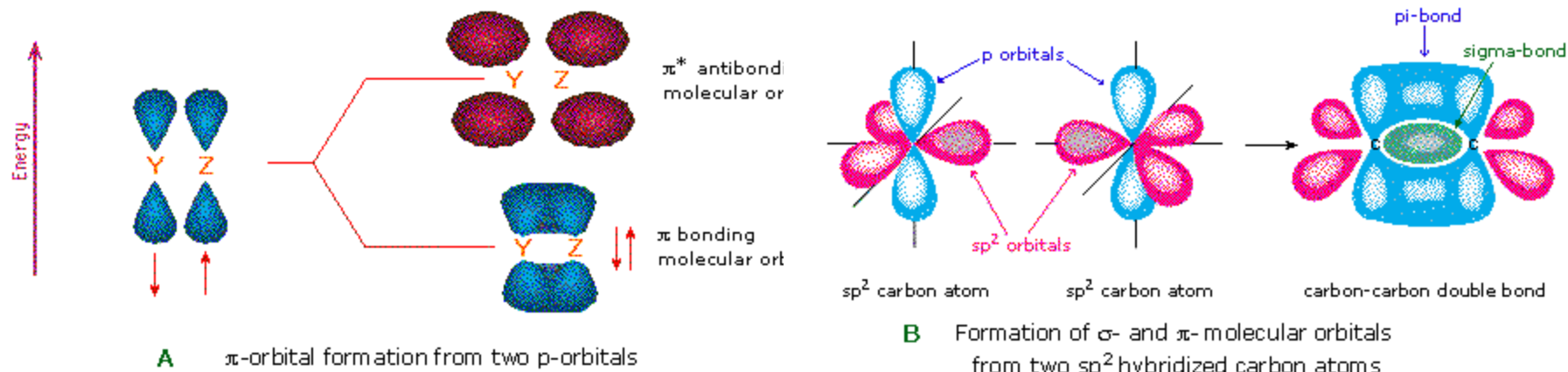


Properties of Graphene

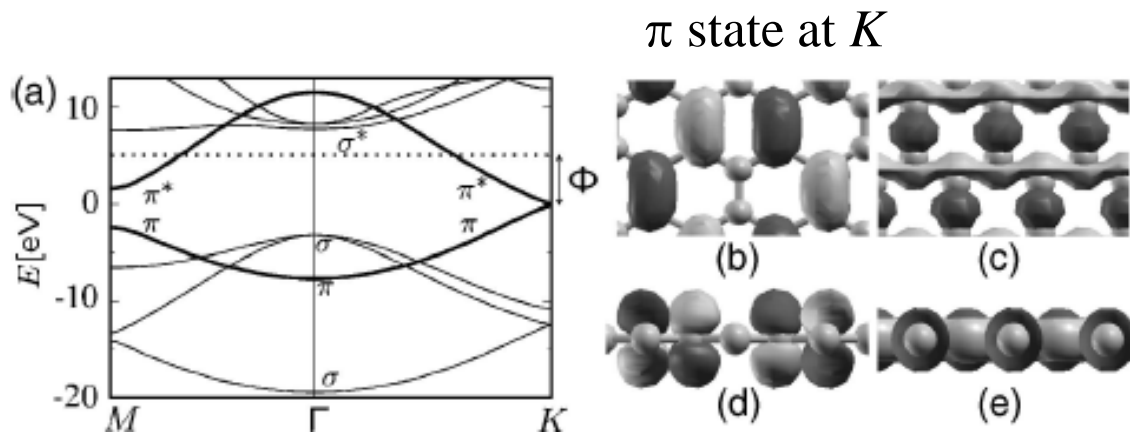
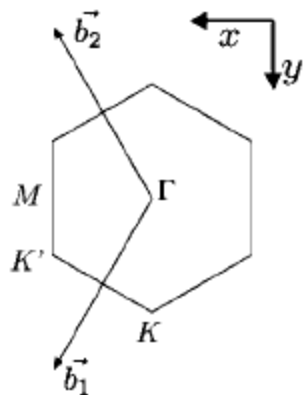
- High Mobility
 - ~ 100,000 cm²/V sec (few degrees Kelvin)
 - ~ 10,000 cm²/V sec (room temperature)
- Can carry high current density
- Robust Material



Graphene Band Structure



www.cem.msu.edu/~reusch/VirtualText/intro3.htm



π bond and π^* anti-orbitals



Graphene Electrical Properties

- **Semiconductors**

- Parabolic Dispersion of Energy vs momentum

$$E = \hbar^2 k^2 / 2m$$

- Effective Mass defined by change of E vs k

$$m^* = \hbar^2 / (d^2 E / d^2 k)$$

- **Graphene**

- Linear Dispersion of energy levels vs momentum (wave vector k)

$$E^\pm(\delta\mathbf{k}) \approx \pm (\sqrt{3}a/2)\gamma_0 \|\delta\mathbf{k}\|$$

- light-like linear electronic band dispersion implies massless particles

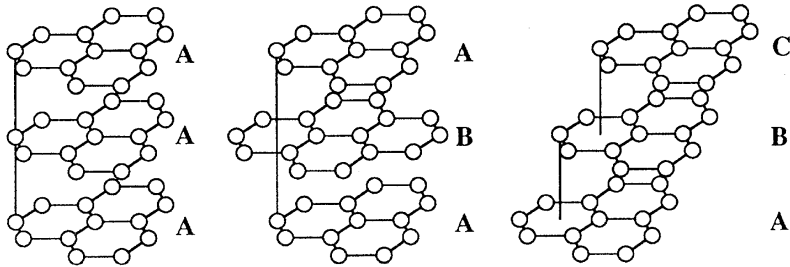
$$v_F = \sqrt{3}a\gamma_0 / 2\hbar = \frac{3}{2}a_{cc}\gamma_0 / \hbar$$

- Particles called Dirac Fermions

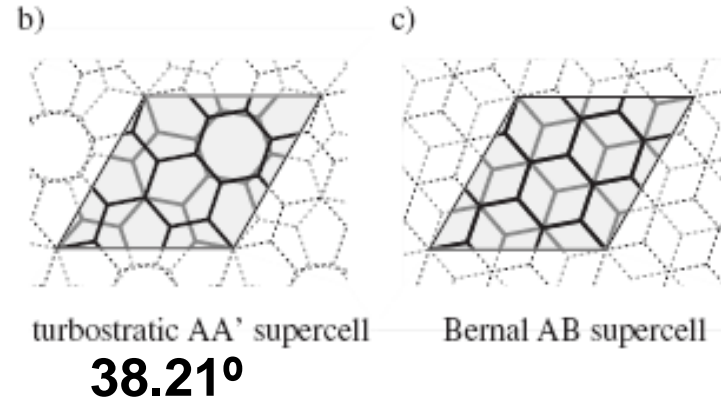
$$E = \hbar v_F k$$



Graphene



Bernal



Sources of Graphene

Exfoliation – Scotch tape & graphite

Reaction of SiC(0001)

Other

Bernal Stacking vs Misorientation

Single Layer Properties for misoriented (AA')
No-Dirac Fermions for 2 to 4 layer Bernal

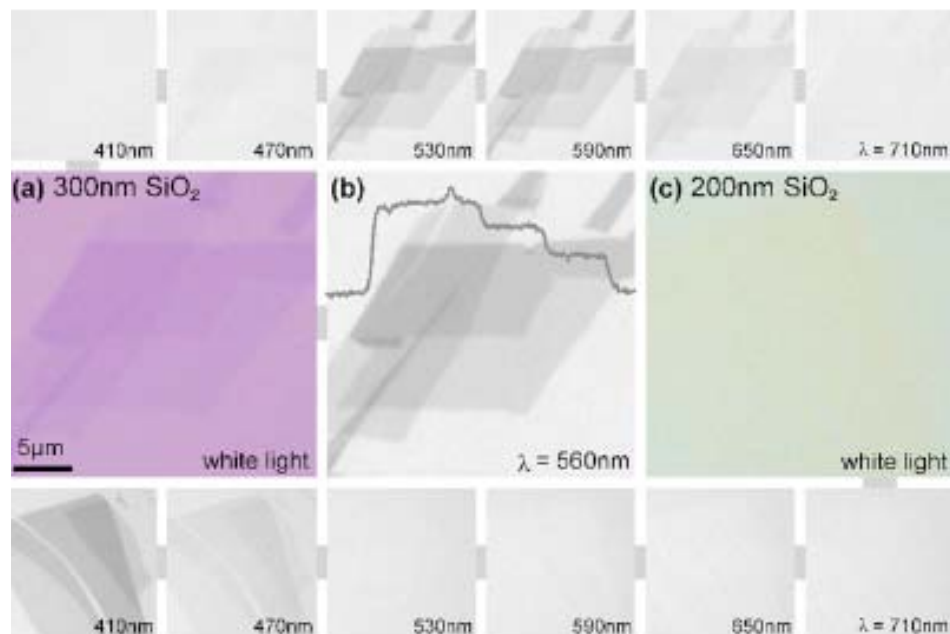
Inter-layer spacings 3.33 Å for B and
3.42 Å for turbostratic stacked bi-layer

Other mis-orientations possible



Optical Microscopy

The magic 300 nm SiO₂ substrate



Graphene is modeled
as a 0.34 nm thick graphite layer

Graphene refractive index constant
Between 400 nm to 750 nm

$$n = 2.6 - i 1.3$$

Contrast dependence is a result of
wavelength dependence of
SiO₂ reflectivity

SiO₂ reflectivity function
of SiO₂ thickness



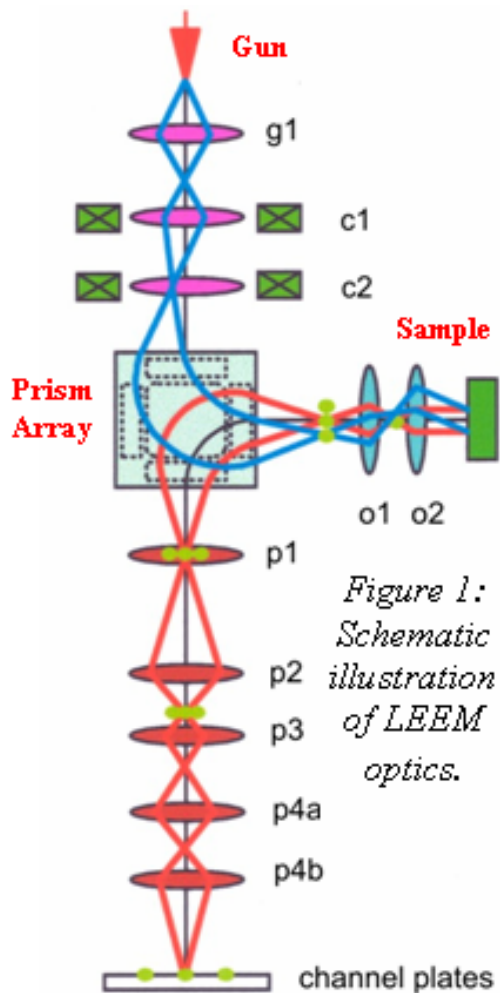
Nano Scale Optical Properties

Optical Properties of Graphene defined solely by the Fine Structure Constant

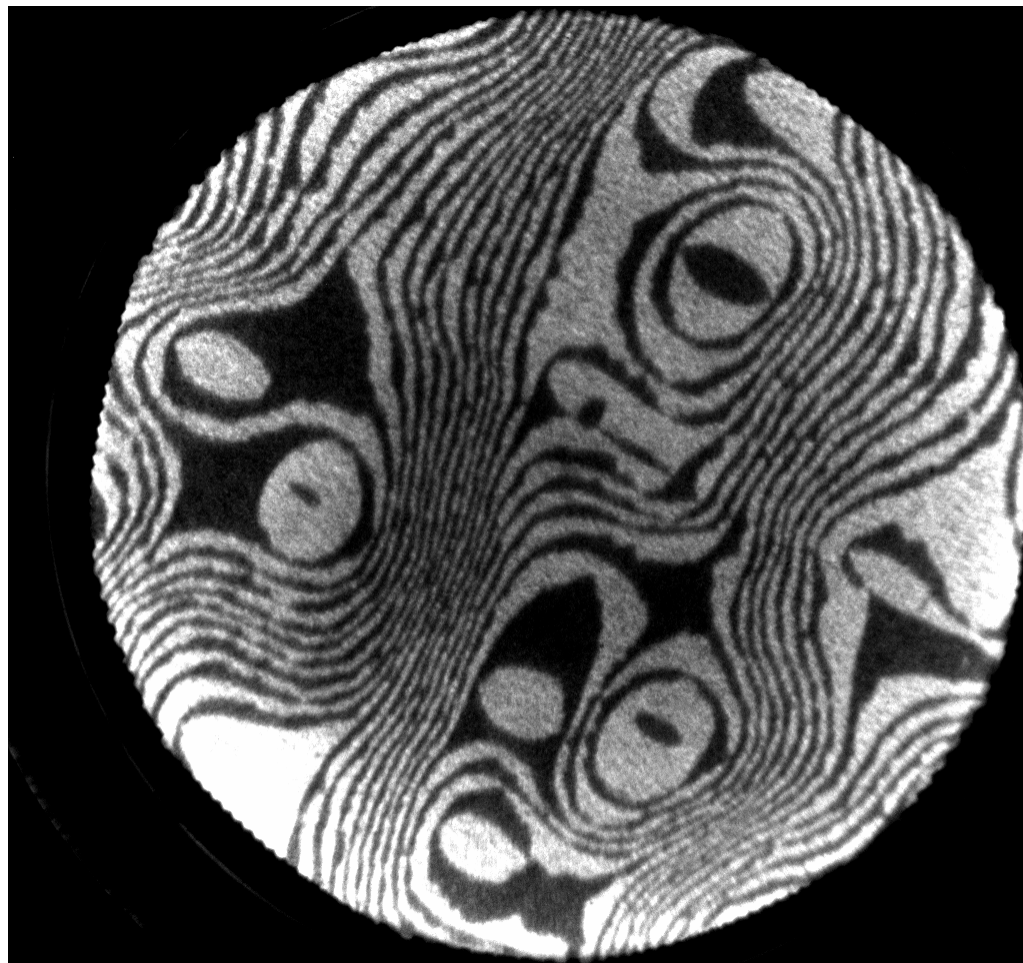
- Dynamic Conductivity, $G = e^2/4h$, of Dirac Fermions
- Fine Structure Constant $\alpha = e^2/hc \approx 1/137$
- $T \equiv (1 + 2\pi G/c)^{-2} = (1 + \frac{1}{2} \pi \alpha)^{-2}$
- $R \equiv \frac{1}{4} \pi^2 \alpha^2 T$



Remember Surface Analysis Methods - LEEM



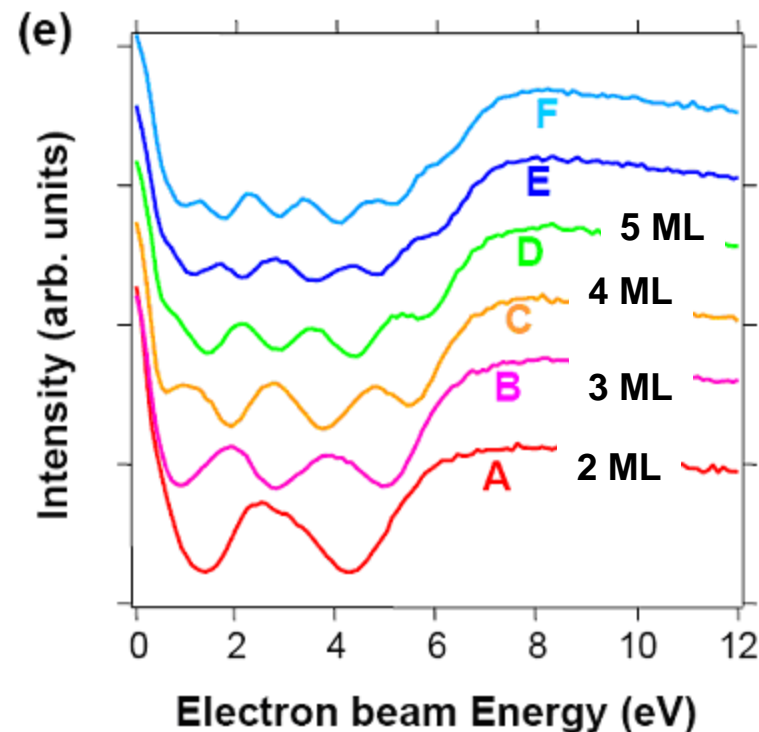
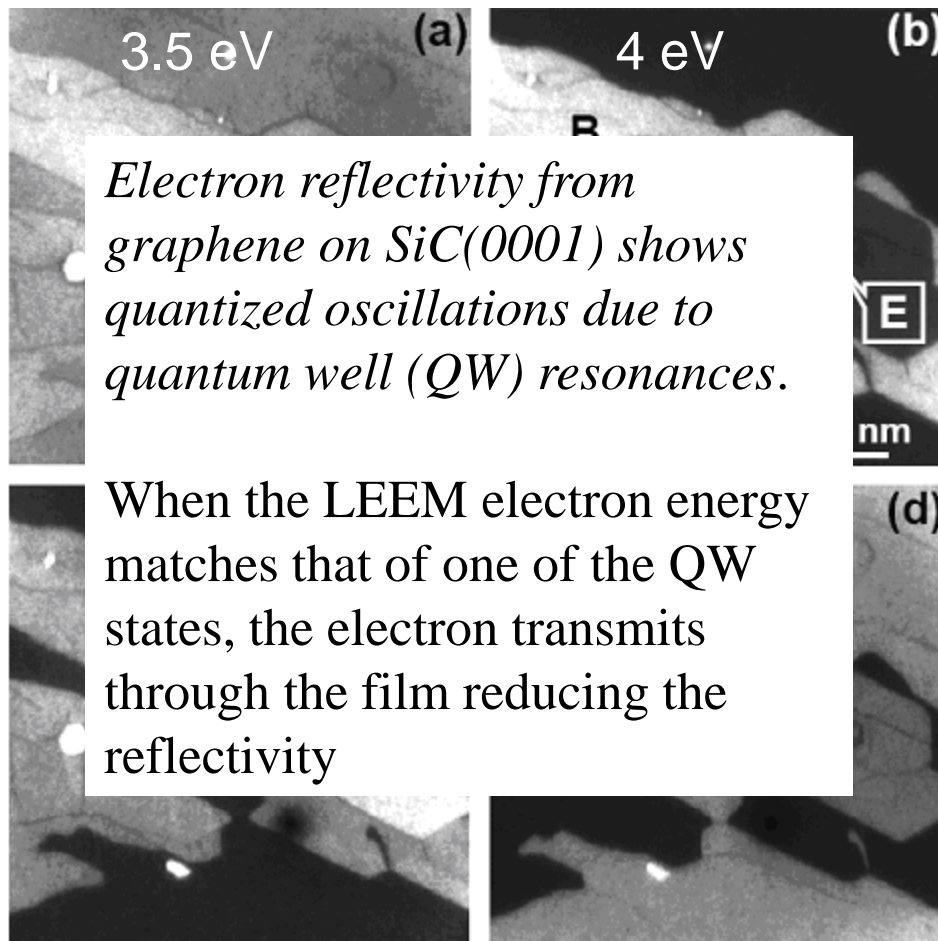
*Figure 1:
Schematic
illustration
of LEEM
optics.*



Monolayer Sensitivity



LEEM analysis of Multilayer Graphene

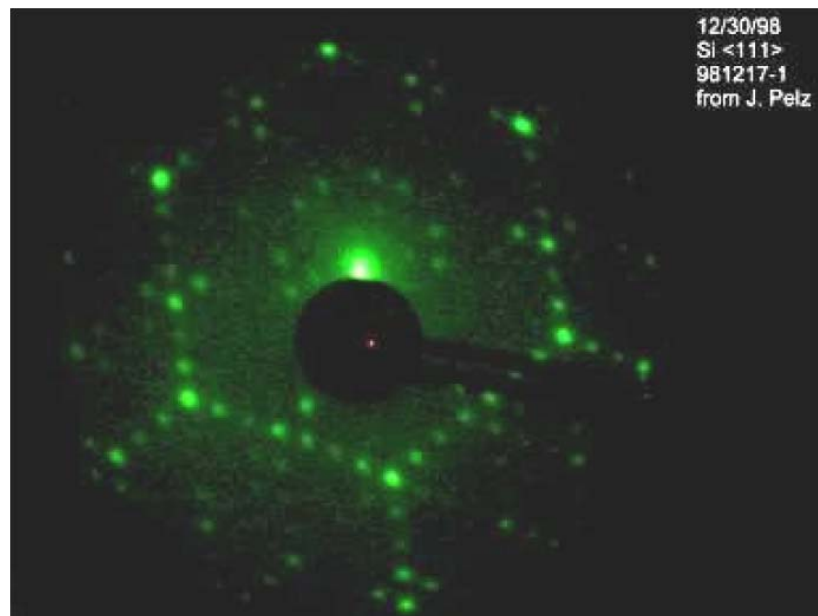
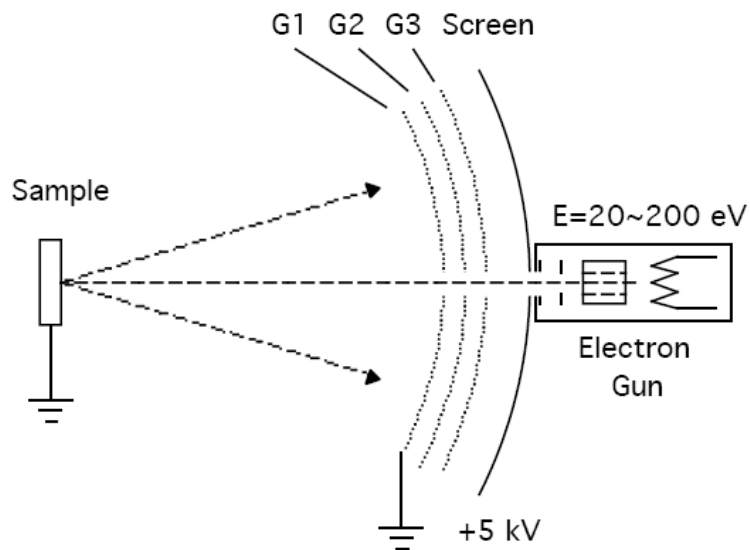


1 ML has one minimum in reflectance curve

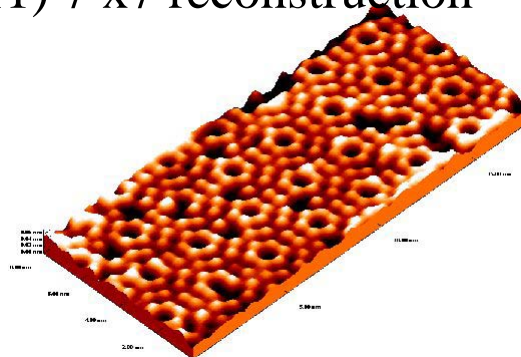


Remember Surface Analysis Methods - LEED

Low Energy Electron Diffraction

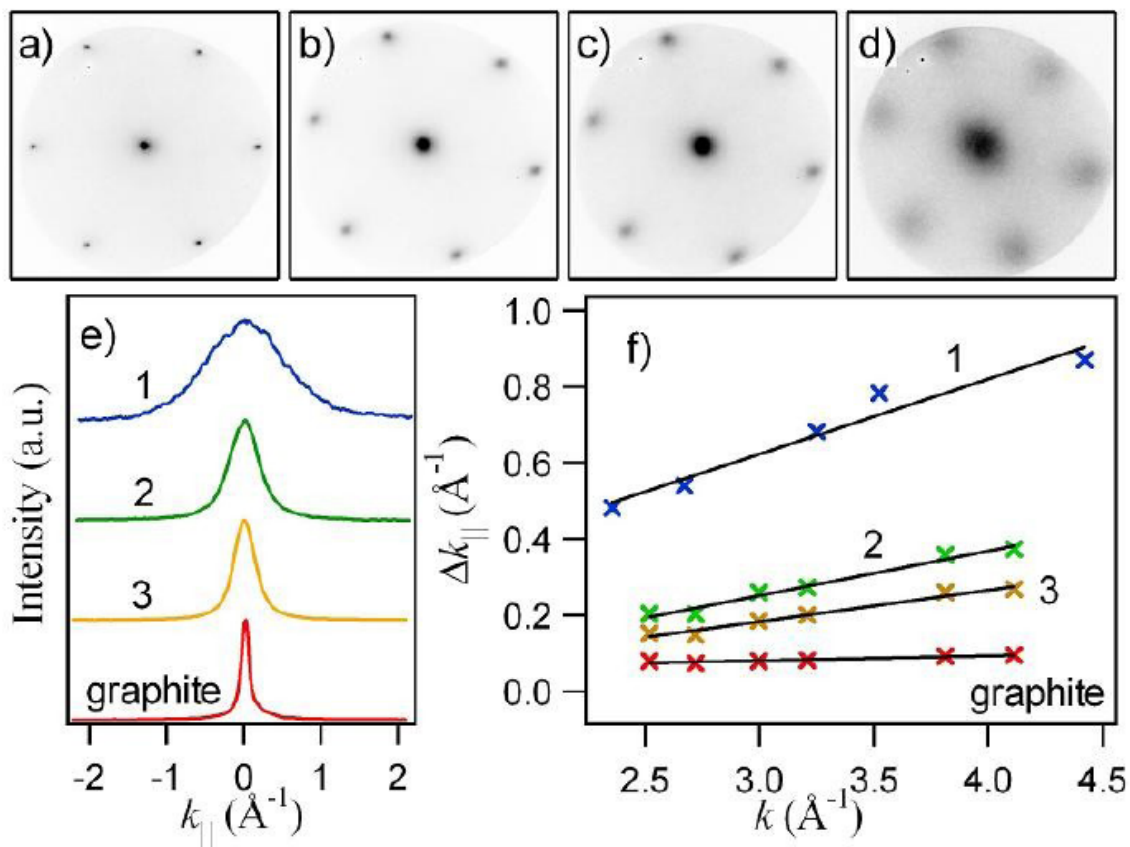


Si (111) 7 x7 reconstruction





LEED Analysis of Graphene

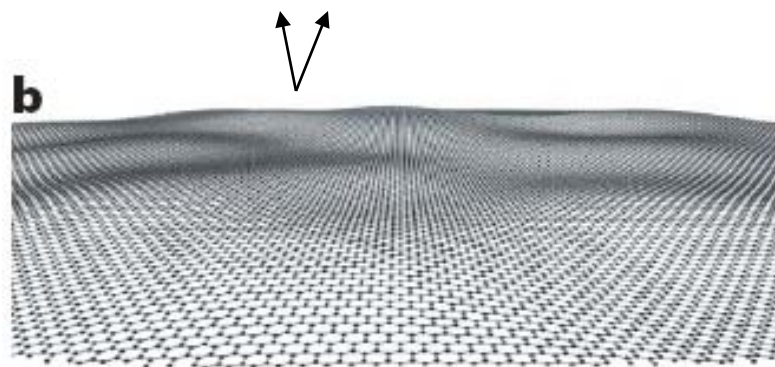


. 2 (a-d) Graphite, trilayer, bilayer, and monolayer graphene LEED patterns at 42 eV, respectively.



LEED Analysis of Corrugation of Graphene

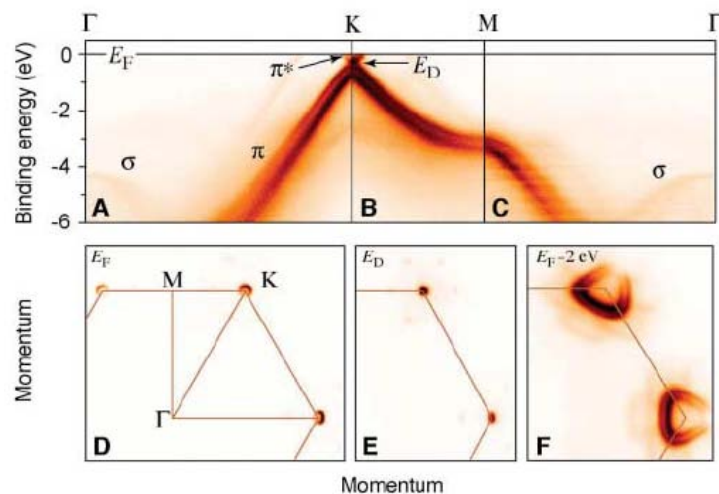
Thickness (ML)	Δk_{\parallel} (\AA^{-1})	$\Delta\theta_{norm}$ (deg)
1	0.70	6.1
2	0.28	2.4
3	0.20	1.7





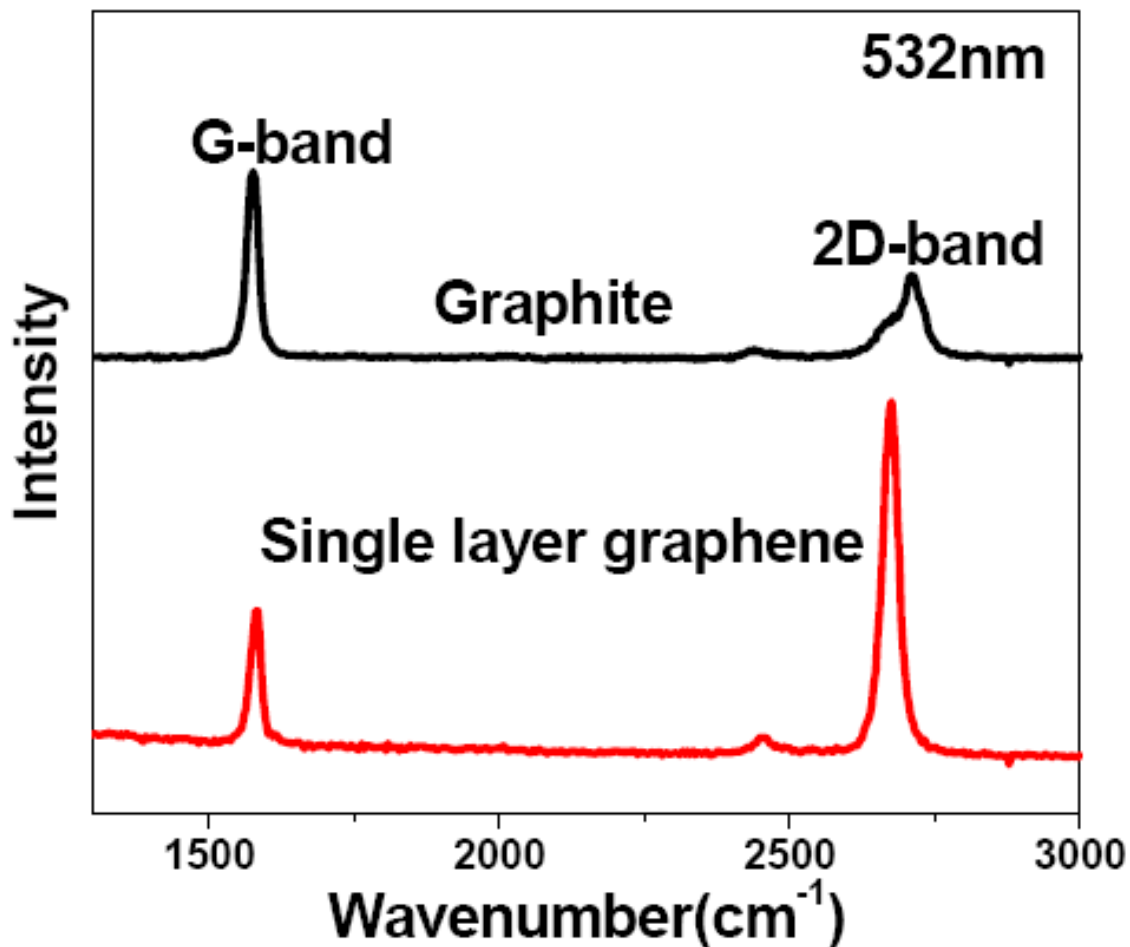
Remember Surface Analysis Methods – (AR)XPS

- ARXPS maps VB structure
- Bands not described by simple tight binding model
- Quasiparticles observed – e.g., electrons surrounded by phonons
- Potassium Doping opens band gap
- May explain impact of substrate on graphene electrical properties





Raman of Graphene



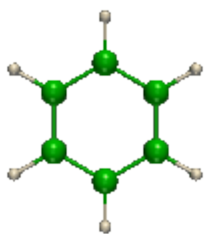
See for example: Ni Raman spectroscopy and imaging of graphene



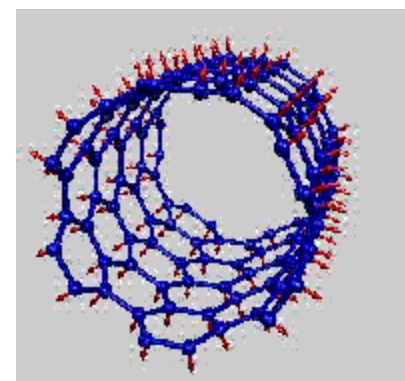
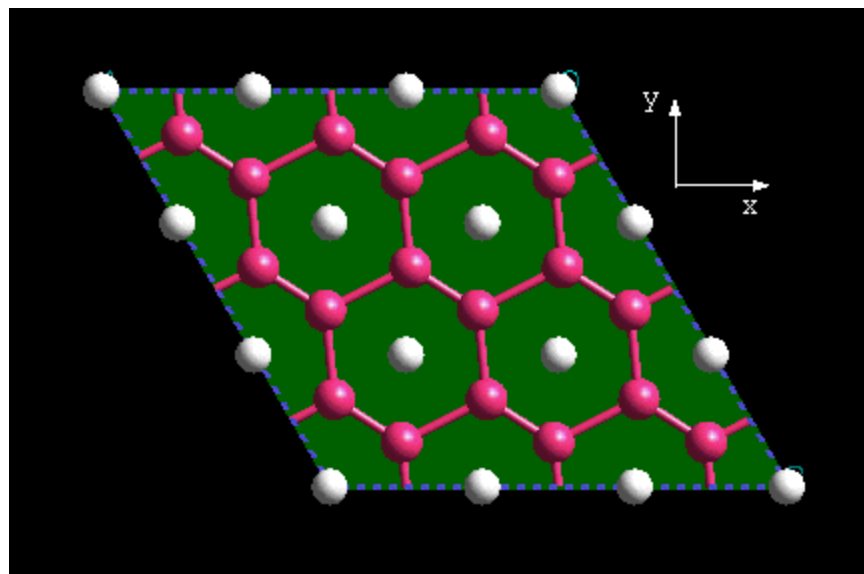
Raman of Graphene

The molecular picture

D band attributed to the breathing modes of sp^2 -bonded atoms in rings



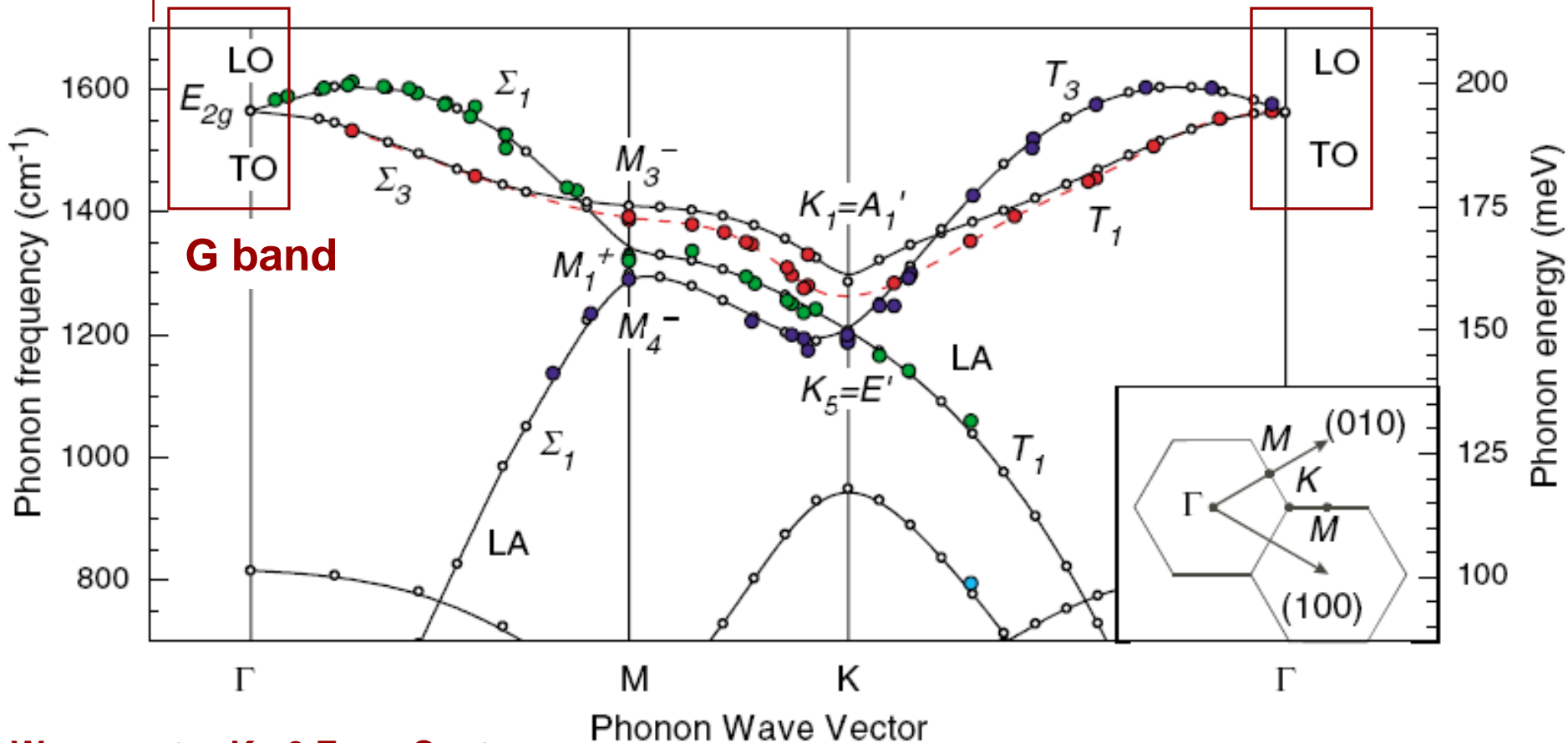
Benzene
Breathing Mode





Graphene's Phonon Dispersion

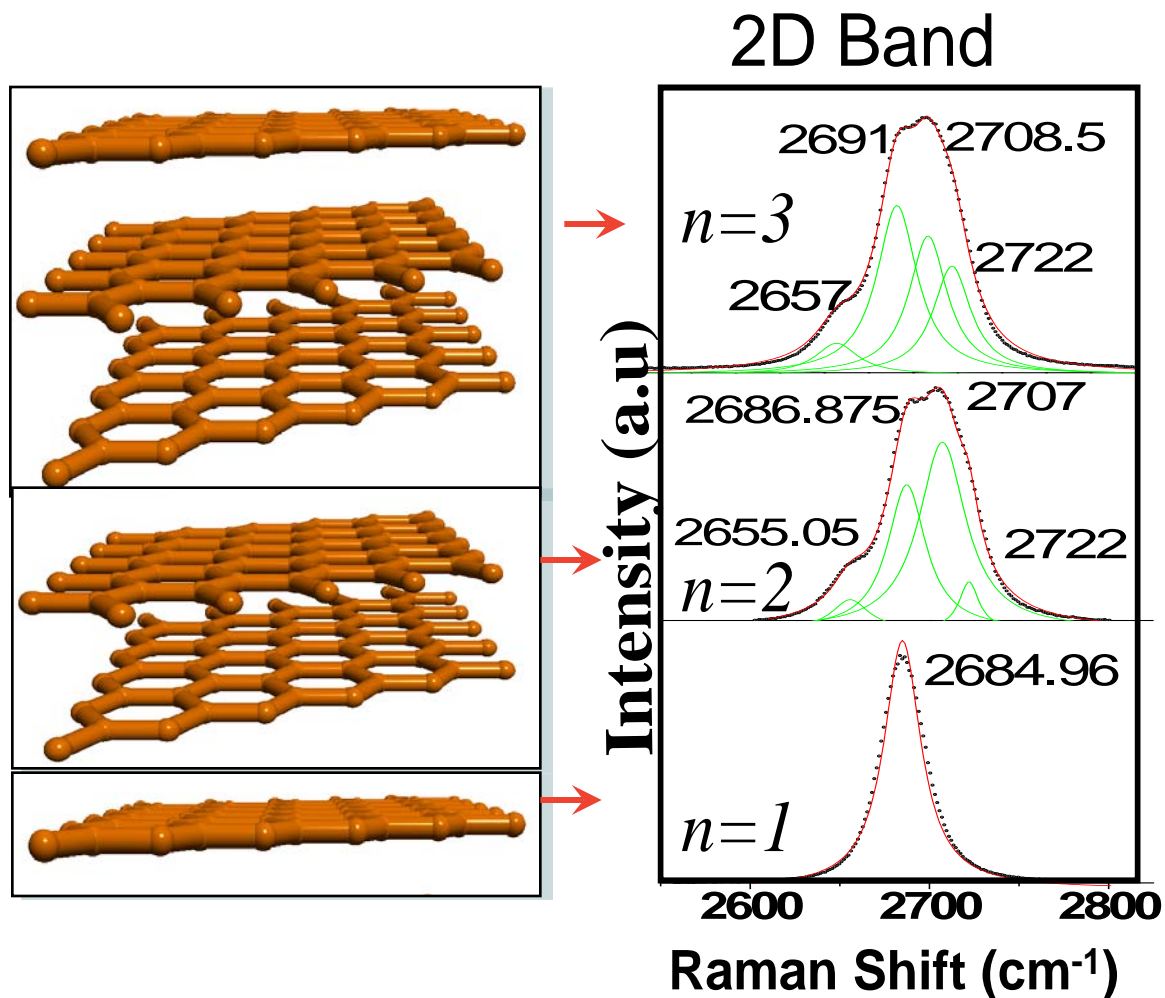
2D band is at $\sim 2700 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ due to a 2 phonon double resonant process involving π band



Wave vector $K = 0$ Zone Center

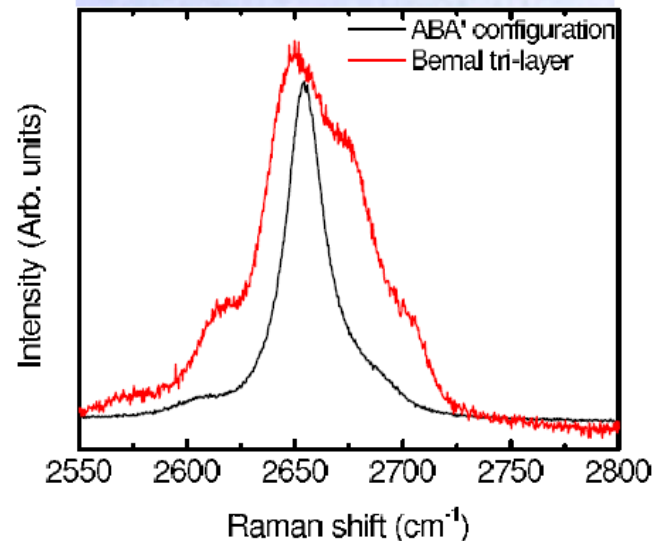
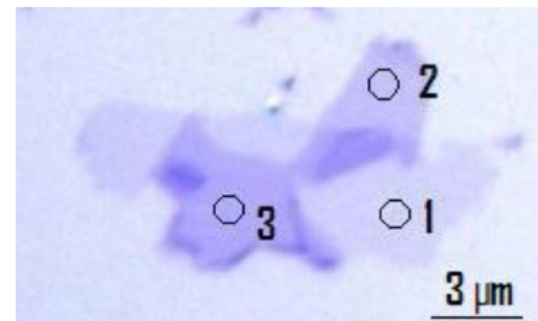
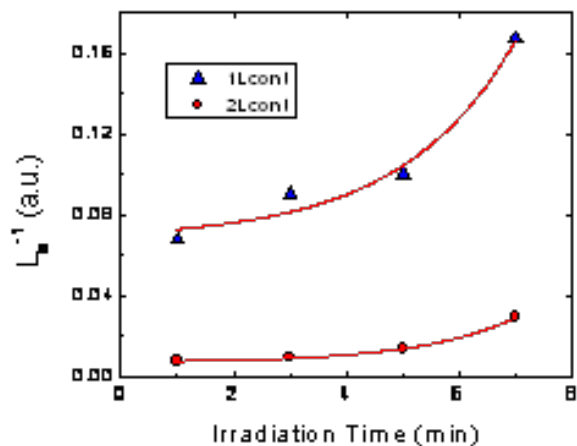


Raman 2D Band Sensitive to # graphene layers





Raman:: Defects & Stacking Configuration



Electron irradiation induced defect density

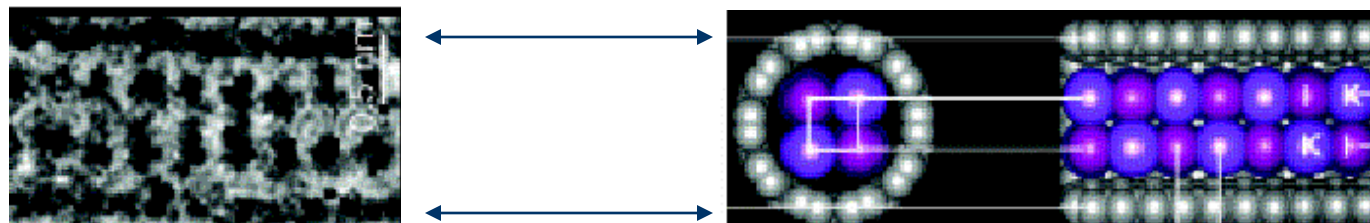
L^{-1} proportional to Ratio of the intensities of G band to D band



NanoCharacterization of Nanotubes

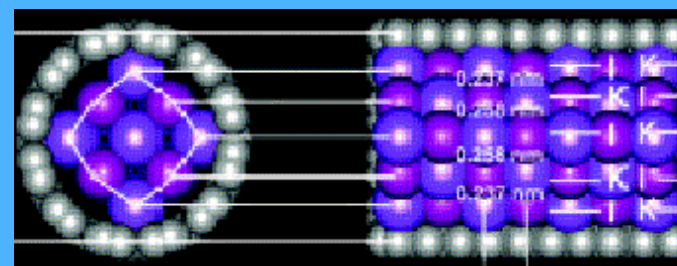
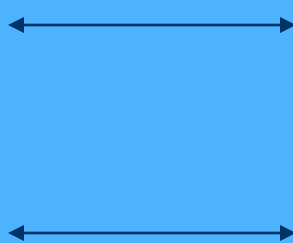
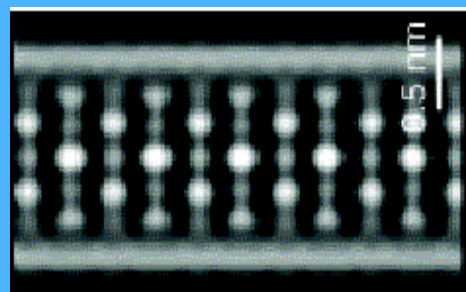
Aberration Corrected HR-TEM Imaging

Not Corrected



Heavy atom (Iodine) atomic columns are imaged

Focal Series Corrected



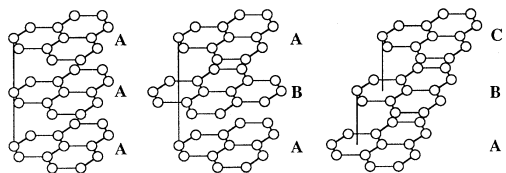
Atomic Columns

I K
K I
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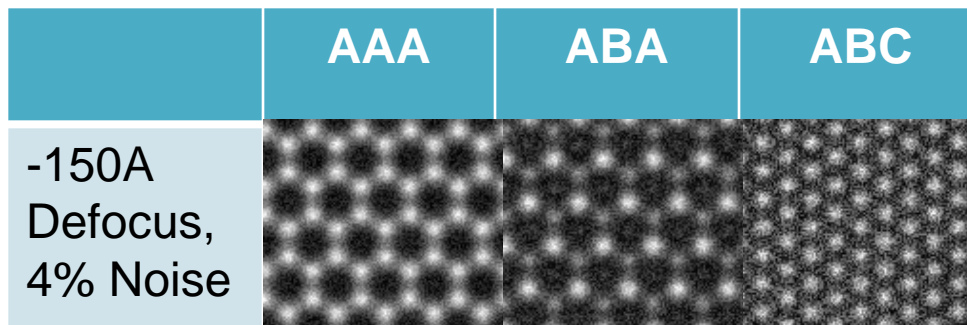
Both K and I atomic columns are imaged



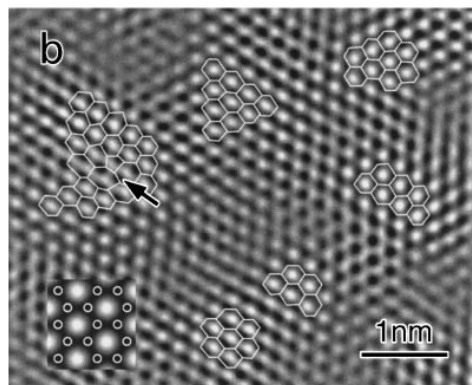
Multi-Slice Simulations of Graphene Stacking



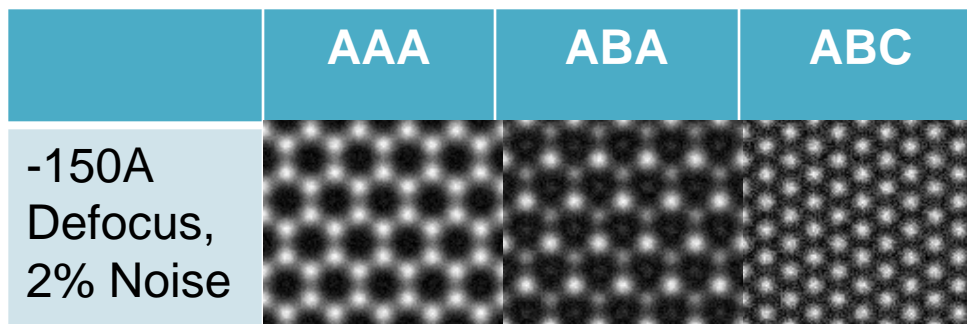
*C5=5mm, 0.15 Convergence angle



Carbon Nanofilm



Horiuchi, et al.

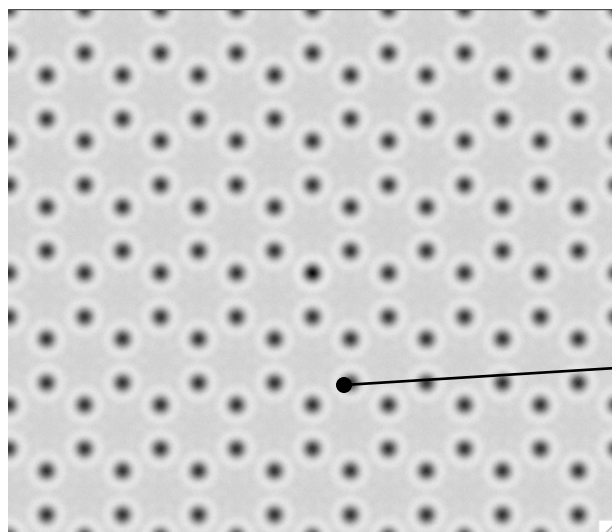


Trilayer Graphene at 80kV, 0 C_s

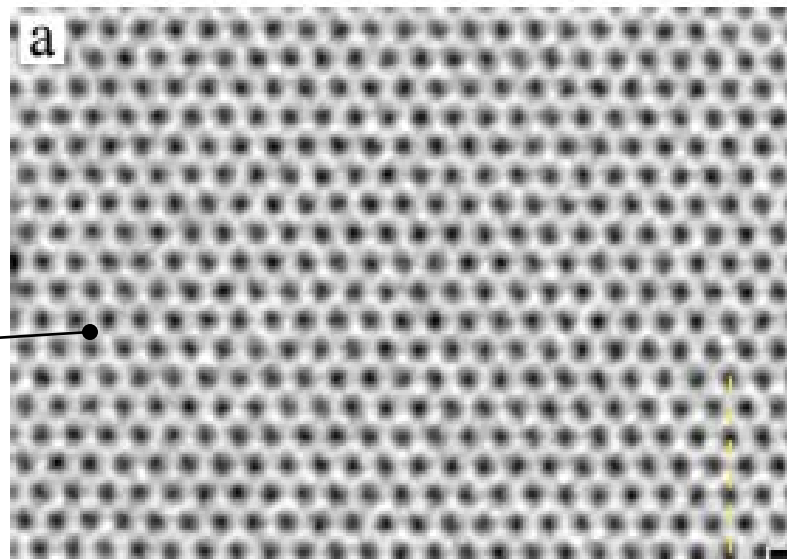


Aberration Corrected TEM

First Images of Single Layer Graphene showing atomic structure



TEAM TEM 80 keV Cs = -17 μm



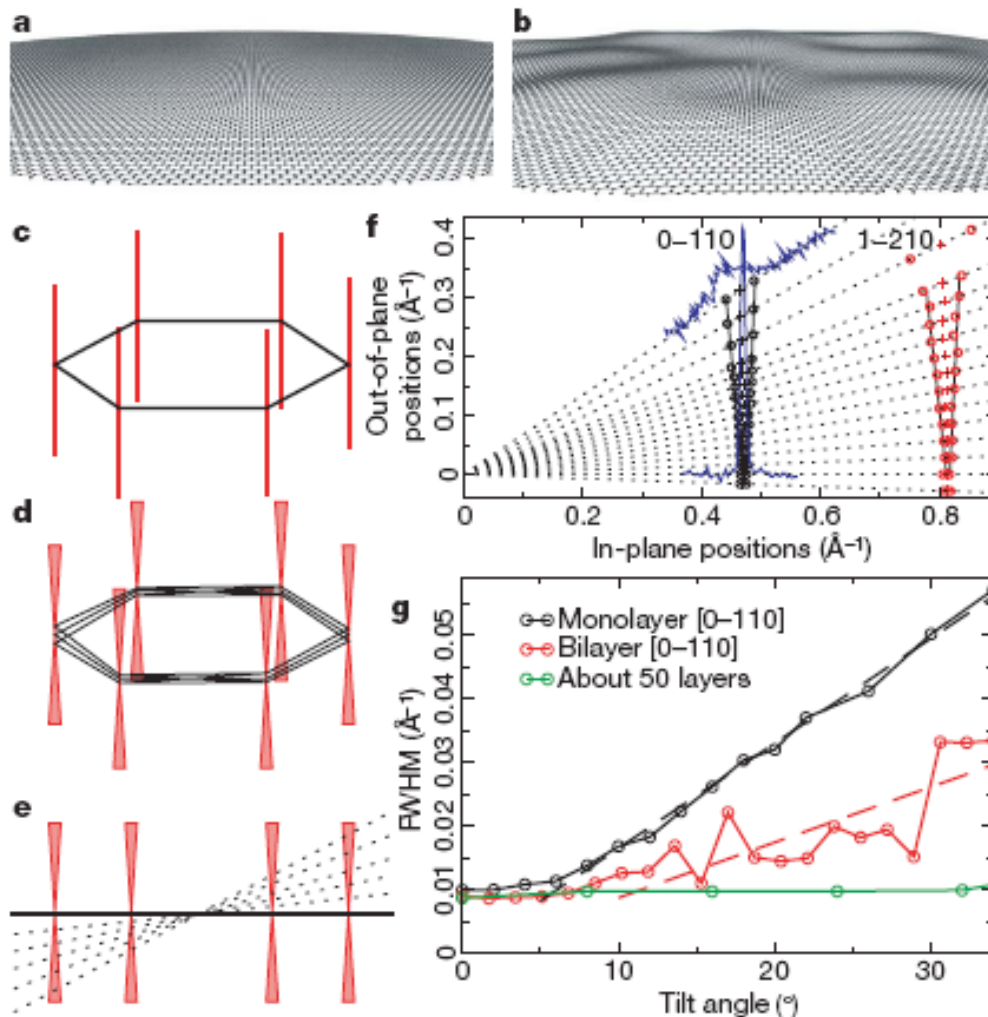
Simulated HR TEM Image at 300 keV with Cs = 0



Observation of Corrugation: TEM Nano-Diffraction

Length ~ 25 nm

Height ~ 1 nm





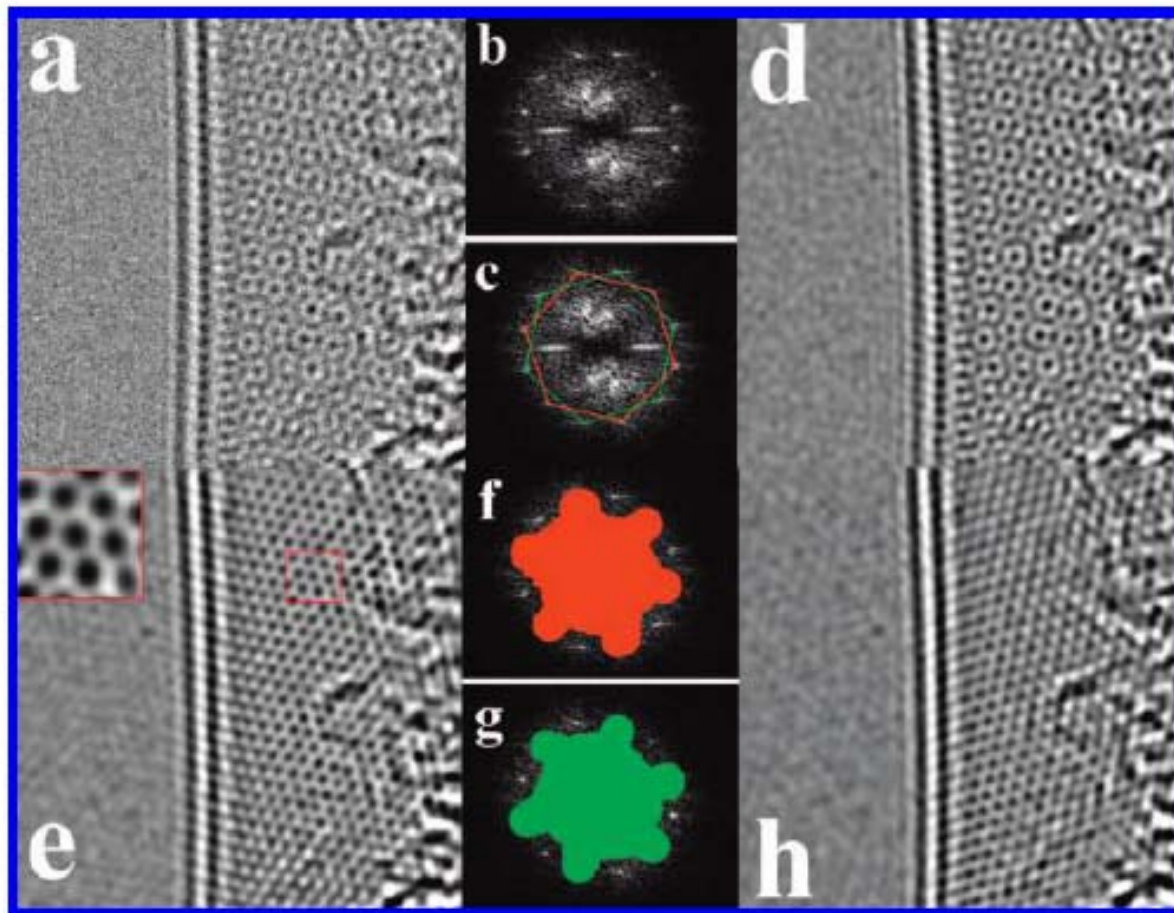
2009 – Aberration Corrected TEM of Stacking 2 – Layers with 30° Misorientation

Bi-Layer
Graphene

Reconstructed
Image

Back
Layer

Front
Layer



FFT



Hall Measurements

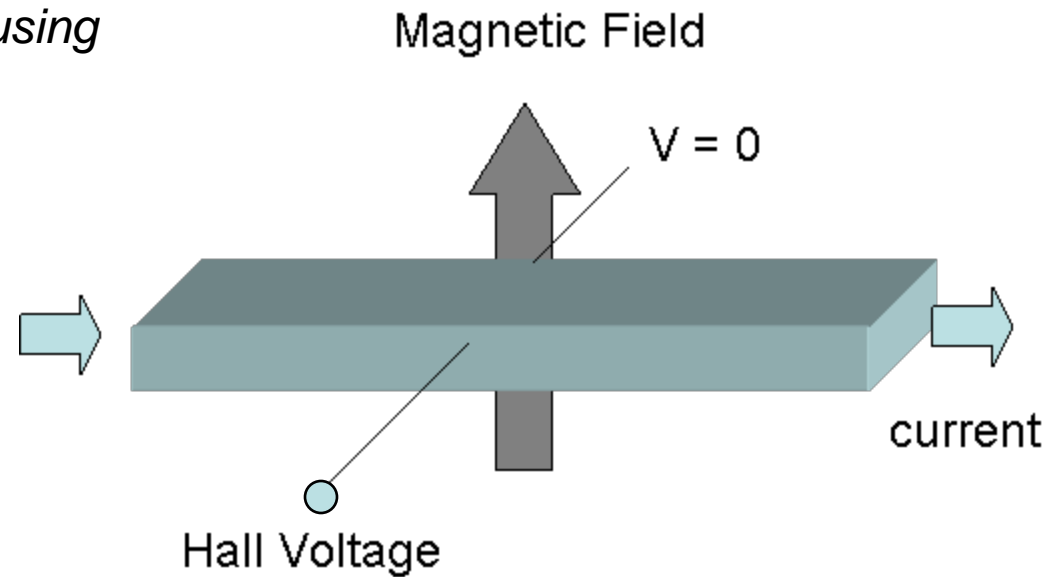
Carrier Sheet Density

$$N_S = IB / (q|V_H|)$$

Determine the sheet resistance R_S using a van der Pauw test structure

Mobility

$$\mu = |V_H| / (R_S IB) = 1 / (qN_S R_S).$$



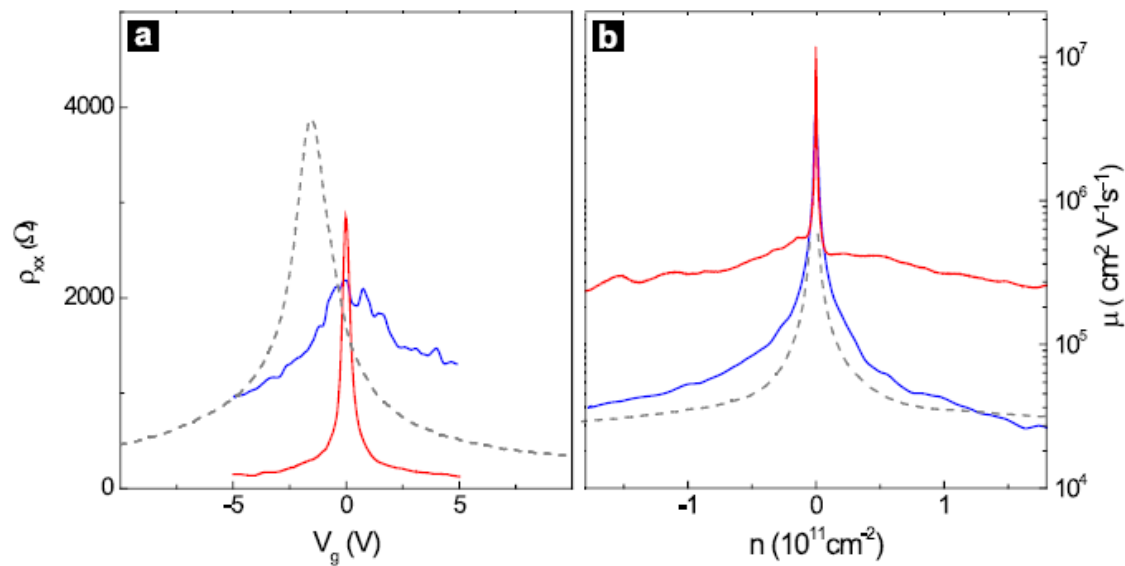
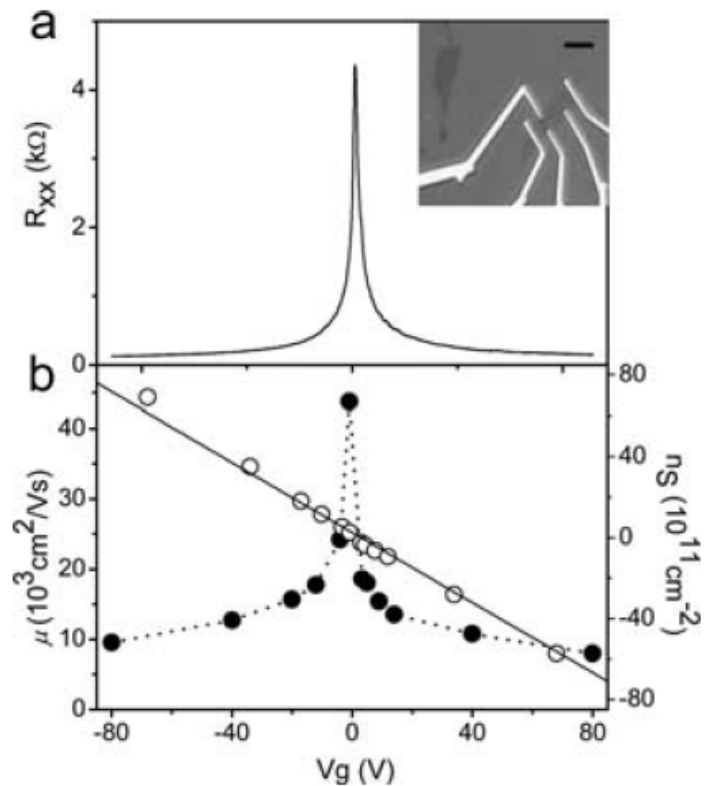
Quantum Hall Effect

$$\sigma = \nu e^2/h \quad \text{- conductivity}$$

where ν is either an integer or rational fraction



Graphene Mobility Data

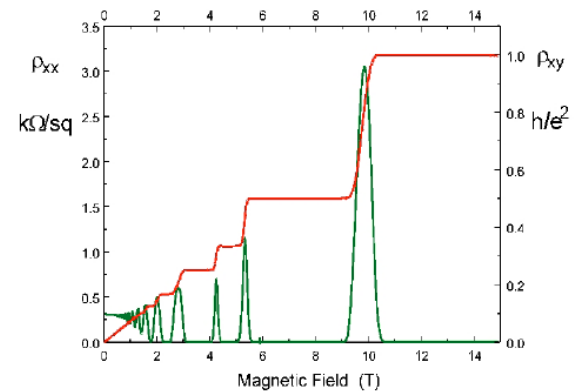
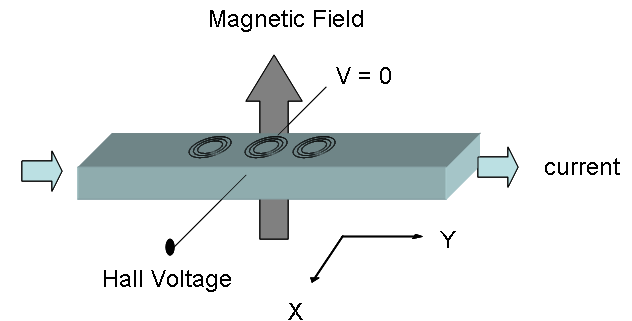


Suspended graphene sheet
Red is after annealing



Quantum Hall Effect

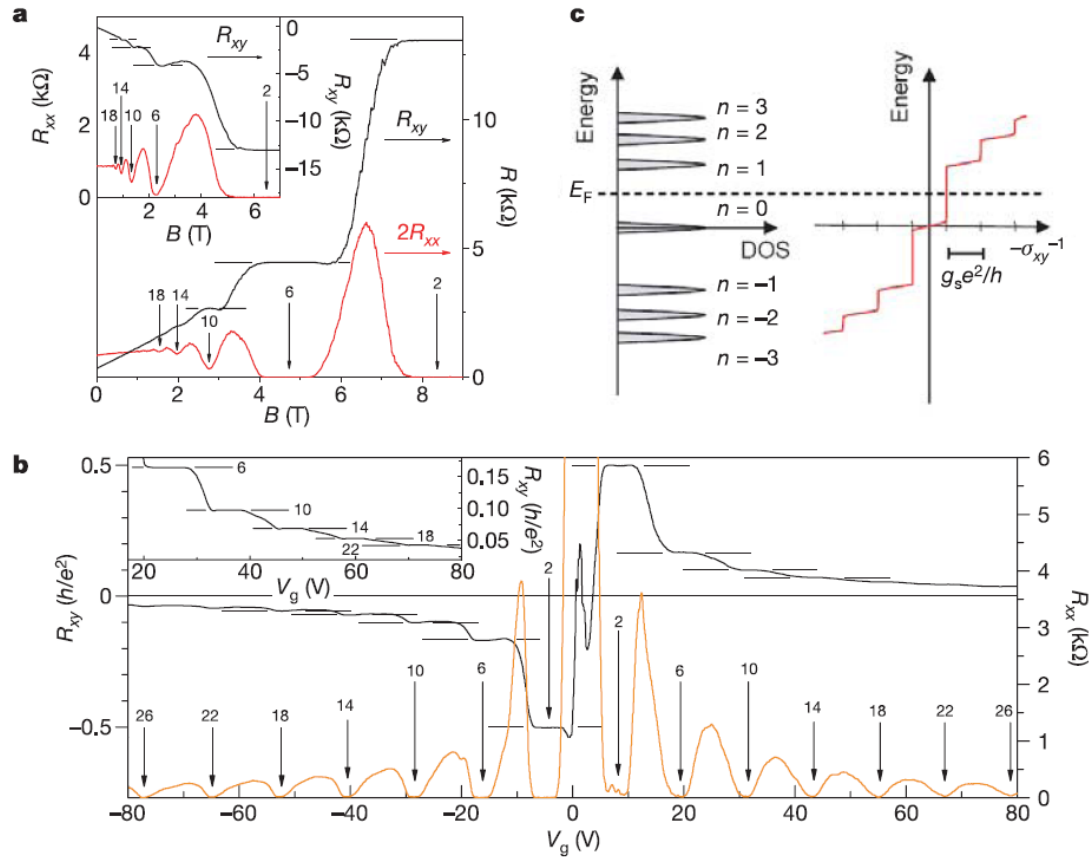
- In a Magnetic Field the Electrons have circular cyclotron orbits
 $\omega_C = (eB/mc)$
- When orbits are treated QM they have discrete energy levels
 - Landau Levels $E_n = (h/2\pi)\omega_C(n+1/2)$
- At certain values of field, energy levels are filled up to N and there is no electron scattering
- Conductivity σ will have discrete steps
 $g_s e^2/h$ where g_s is the degeneracy factor (spin & sublevels) $\sigma \sim N e^2/h$



$$J_x \text{ (Hall current)} = \sigma_{xy} E_y \quad J_y \text{ (current)} = \sigma_{yy} E_y$$



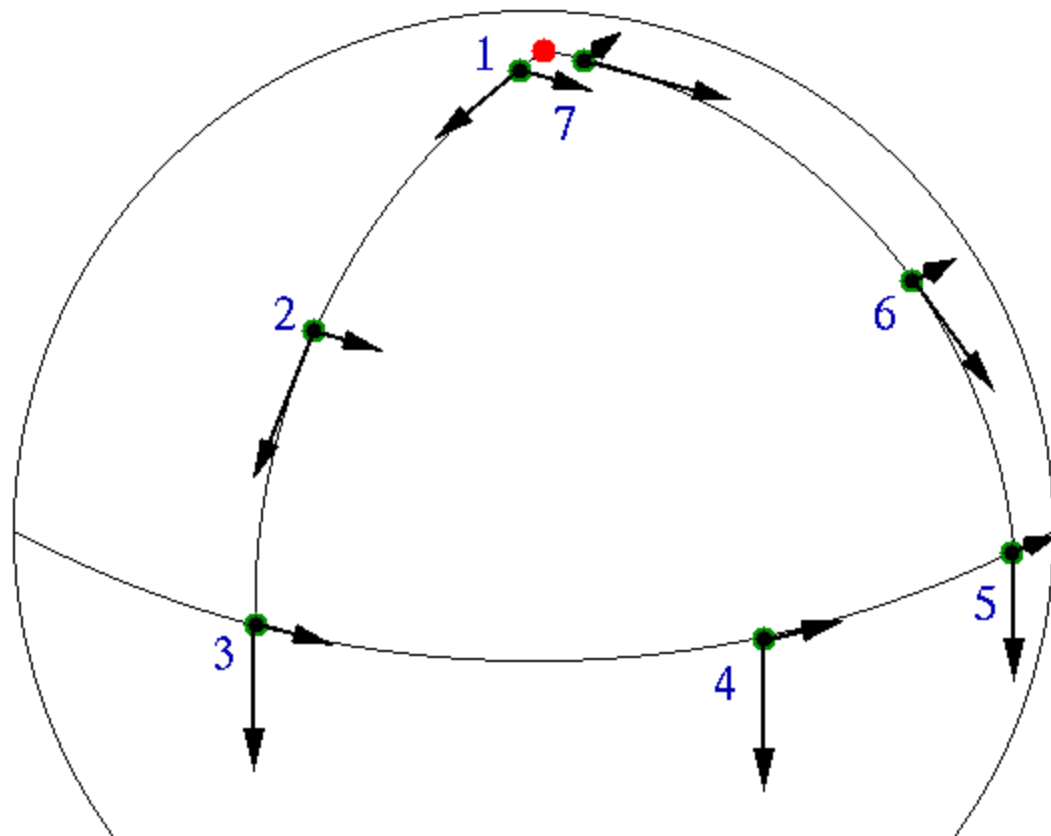
Quantum Hall Effect in Graphene $\sigma \sim (n+1/2)e^2/h$



Stormer and Kim - QHE proves Dirac nature of carriers



Berry Phase – angle of vector quantities in closed loop path

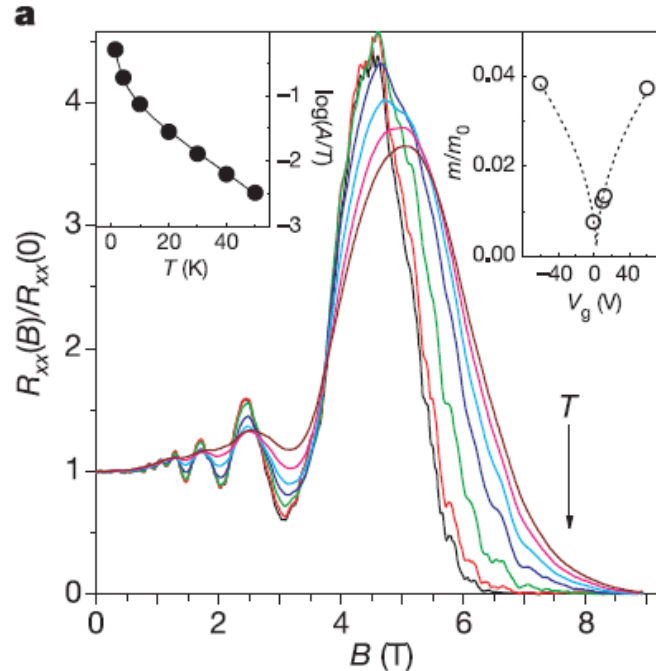


<http://www.mi.infm.it/manini/berryphase.html>



Nanoscale Quantum Phenomena

The Berry Phase (angle) in Graphene confirms Dirac particle



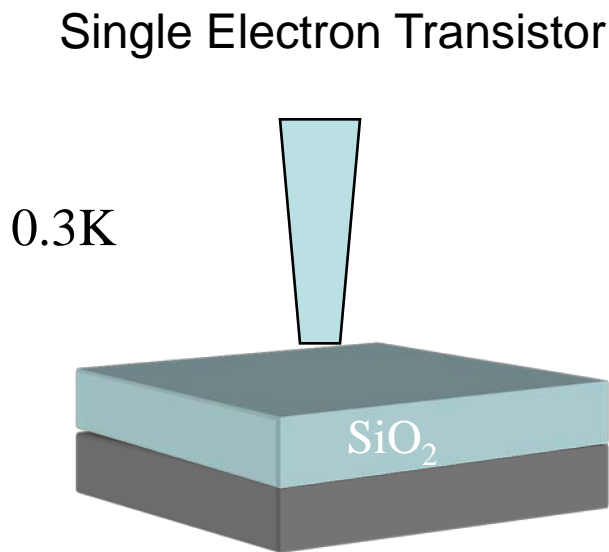
- At low magnetic fields, Shubnikov de Haas oscillations in the resistance R_{xx} perpendicular to current flow.
- $\Delta R_{xx} = A \cos[2\pi(B_F/B + \frac{1}{2} + \beta)]$
- β (Berry Phase) = $\frac{1}{2}$ for Dirac particles
- B_F is frequency SdH oscillations
- B is magnetic field strength

Berry Phase, β , refers to correction to semiclassical dynamics
– not needed when a full QM theory is used.



Single Electron Microscopy Electron Hole Puddles – Are they due to Graphene Corrugation from SiO₂?

The intrinsic disorder length scale in graphene is ~ 30 nm.



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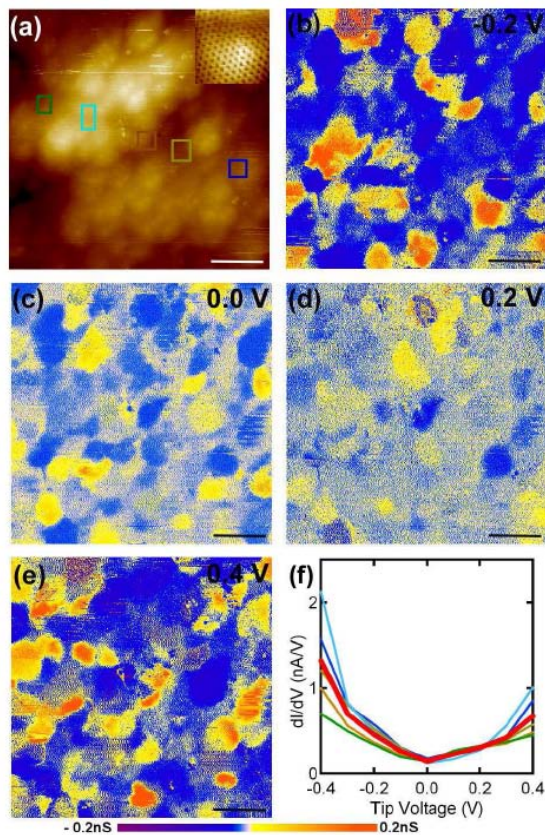


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“The SET tip is capable of measuring the local electrostatic potential with microvolt sensitivity and a high spatial resolution close to its size.”



Observation of Graphene Corrugation by STM



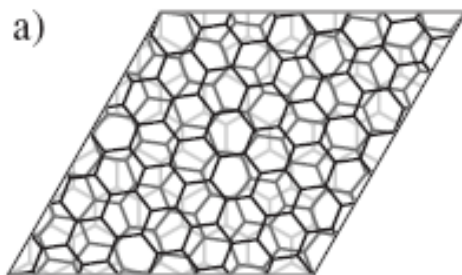
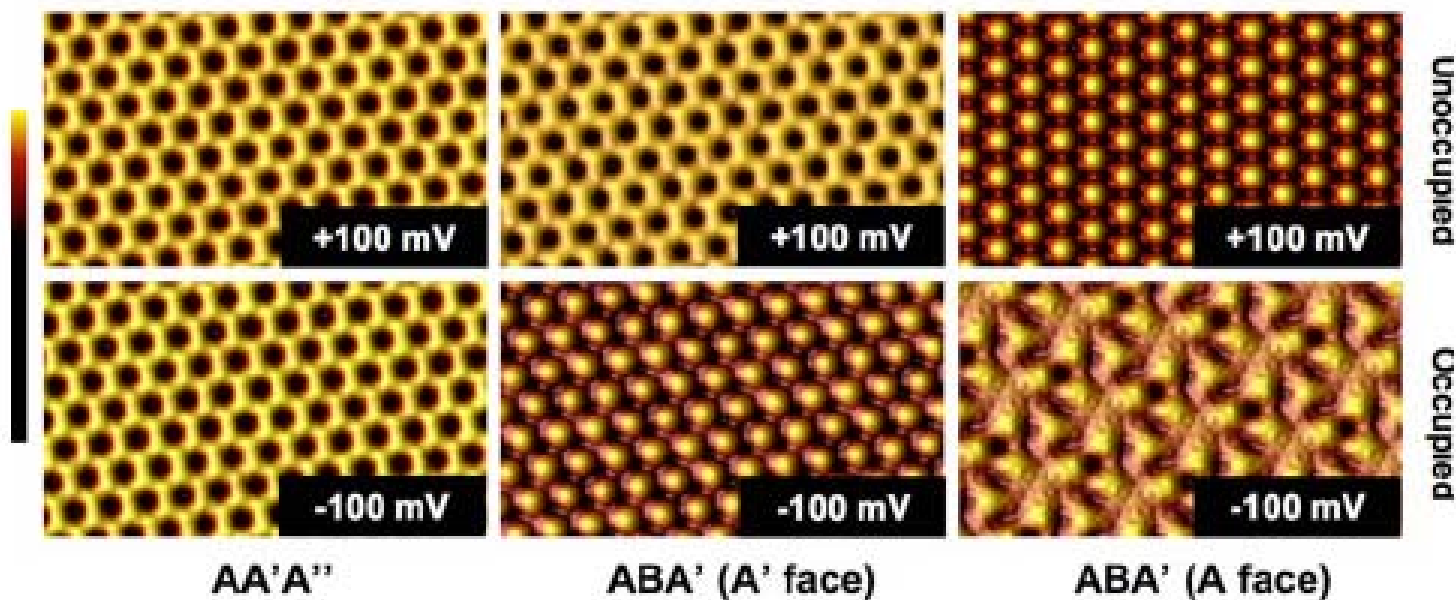
Corrugation has a height variation of 5 Å over an area of $30 \times 30 \text{ nm}^2$.

Lateral extent of these corrugations ~ few nanometers

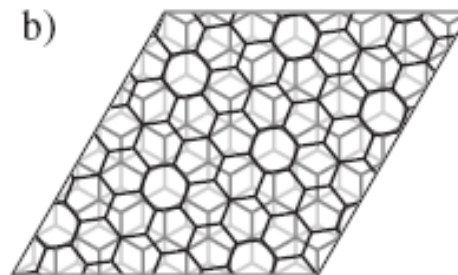
Corrugation mimics the SiO_2 surface



STM Observation of Stacking Misorientation



turbostratic AA'A''' supercell



mixed ABA' supercell



Graphene Ribbons

Can We Measure properties of Ribbons?

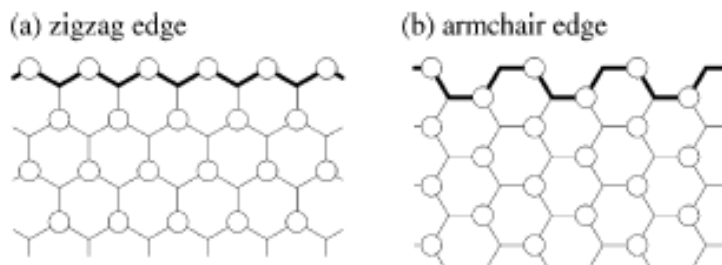
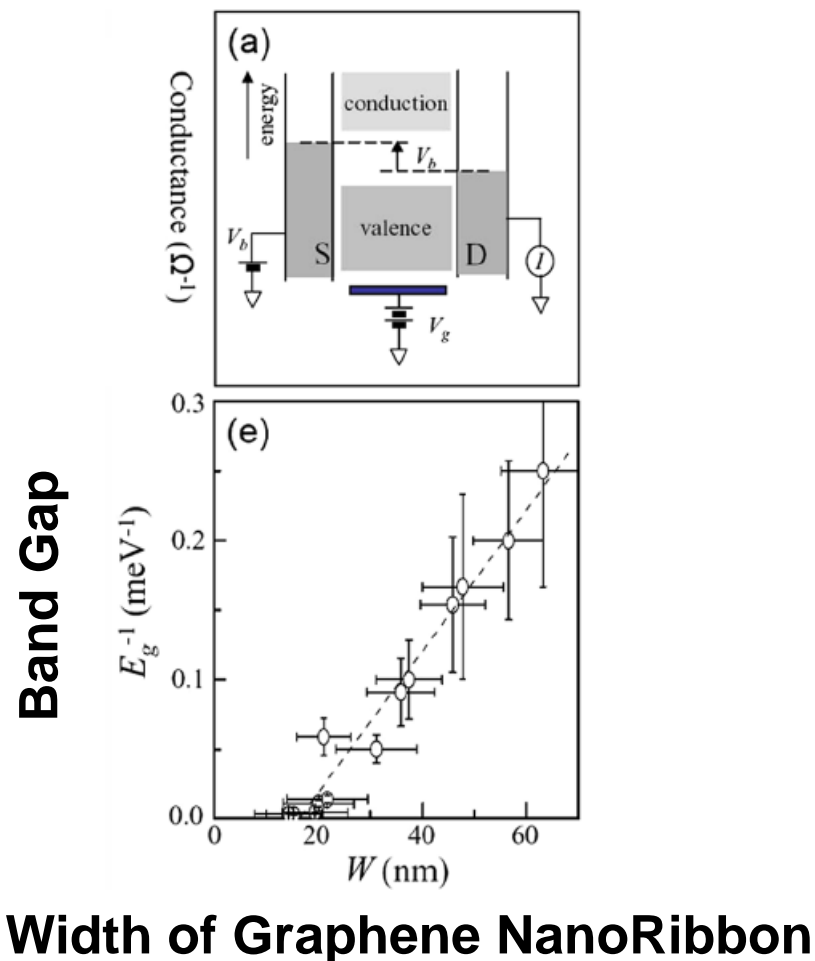


Fig. 6. GNR edges. (a) Zigzag edge, (b) armchair edge





What we can Measure

- Where graphene is (for some samples)
- Number of graphene layers & orientation
- Corrugation
- Electrical – mobility, carrier density, conductance



Conclusions

- Graphene displays novel properties due to nanoscale dimensions and unique electronic structure
- Metrology must continue to advance to meet needs of new materials such as graphene
- Despite these advances- metrology and device fabrication are amazingly difficult



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